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MOUND CITY ITEMS

A WEEKS HAPPENINGS IN SOCIETY—AMONG THE CHURCHES.

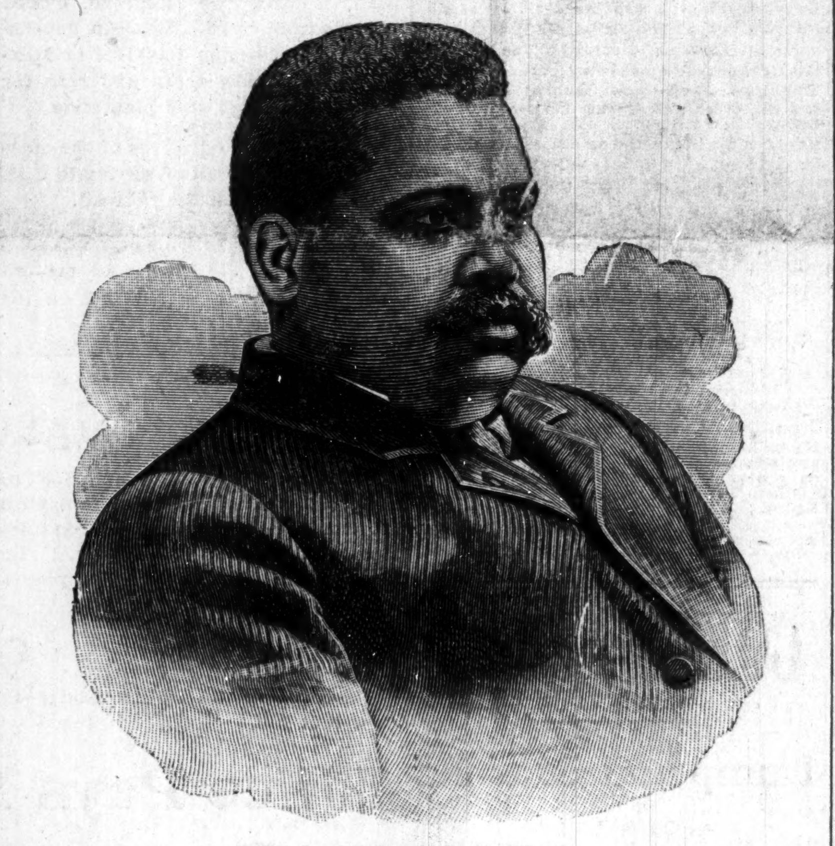
SHOT A NEGRO FOR FUN WAS

The Only Explanation Offered — Wha will the Results be?—The Provident Hospital in Good Condition.

St. Louis, Mo., Special.—The Freeman on sale and correspondence for same, advertisements or locals, received at 1402 Chestnut street, Room No. 5, or addressed to same care W. C. Henderson. Back numbers always to be had. * * The Provident Hospital has in the month of April received from the generous public over $75 worth of household utensils, bed linen and provisions, beside in cash donations about $260. Miss Valentine, the superintendent, and Dr. Stafford, the resident physician, are keeping the institution in excellent condition. The visitation and clinical use of the institution is being much appreciated. * * Miss Lottie Harris, of 4208 Maffit avenue, left Tuesday evening for a summer's visit in Philadelphia, Pa. She was escorted to the train by a very large representation of her appreciative lady and gentleman friends. * * Rev. W. C. Preston, D. D., and D. W. Scott, M. D., were delegates to Washington, Mo., this week to the conference lay college, which elects two delegates to the General Conference, which will convene in Columbus, O., Monday, May 7, 1900. * * Communion services at Zion A. M. E. Church, by Rev. John Moreland, pastor, Sunday, 4th inst. * * Mrs. B. J. Carruthers and Mrs. J. Riley are in Hot Springs, Ark., for a two weeks' visit. * * The annual barbecue of the St. Paul's A. M. E. Church is booked at Hoehn's Grove for Monday, July 3. * * Miss Georgia Kelly, of Springfield, Mo., having been in the city on quite an extensive visit, left for home Saturday evening last, before making a visit to New York city for the summer. * * Mr. Sexton's beautiful lawn, 2605 Chestnut, will soon be a scene of pleasant summer garden evening scenes, with refreshments and orchestra. * * Mrs. Mamie O. Smith, of 3825 Easton avenue, and little daughter Hattie, are greeting their large circle of friends in good health and many pleasant smiles. * * Mrs. Josephine Smith, accompanied by little Miss Emma Thompson, of Decatur, Ill., were guests of Mrs. W. Griffe's, 1406 Chestnut street, over Sabbath; also Rev. Long, pastor A. M. E. Church, Wentzville, Mo., was guest over Sabbath with same. Rev. Long occupied the pulpit at St. Paul's Church Sunday night. * * A Down Town Thursday Night, Musical Literary and Debating Club will be opened at 1505 Market street, over Wm. Kelly's Star Restaurant; entrance through Kelly's ice cream parlor. Admission free. The best talent of the city's young men and ladies are invited to participate each Thursday evening. * * Under the management of J. W. Grant and Prof. David Gordon, Miss Harriette A. Gibbs and a company of concert artists, including Miss Alice L. Howard, soprano; Mr. Wm. H. Fouse, clarionet, assisted by the Metropolitan Vocal Quartette, will appear at the St. Paul's Chapel, June 2d, for the benefit of Eckstein Norton University, Ky., and the St. Paul's A. M. E. Church of this city. * * The Daughters of Beersheba celebrated their summer carnival at Stole's Hall, last week. * * Rev. W. H. H. Brown, D. D., late pastor of Elliott Avenue M. E. Church, who so dearly won the young people of the city to him in his work and consecration here, came up from Mexico, Mo., last week to get a rest from his two charges in that district. He reports his work looming up in an encouraging way. His family is still in our city. * * Rev. Will J. Jackson, D. D., pastor Elliott-Wesley M. E. Church, has received the sad news of the illness of his aged mother, Mrs. Murich Jackson, of Greenville, O., aged 86 years. He will visit her soon. Miss Violetta Williene Jackson, youngest daughter of Rev. Dr. Jackson, has come to St. Louis to superintend her father's apartments in the absence of his sick wife. Mrs. Jackson, and his eldest daughter, who are at their resident home in Sedalia, Mo. * * Rev. E. M. Cole, recently having taken charge of the First Baptist Church, though a young and intelligent preacher and pastor, is said to be doing very excellent pastorial and financial work in the church. * * The Oriental Block, between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets, on Chestnut street, built from plans designed by the colored tenents for the Oriental Club, at which Mr. Dutch Seigel stands as head, and the tasty tonsorial parlor of Mr. Ben J. Owens and the new undertaking firm of Banks & Tidwell, reflect in a business manner upon negro enterprise in St. Louis. The Oriental Restaurant also in the block, is among the tasty and tidy surroundings. Mr. Seigels, the well known saloon man; Benj. J. Owens, manager of Mrs. Finley's barber shop on Eleventh street; and Mr. Banks, of 27 years' professional career in Chicago, and Chas. Tidwell, of the Merchants' Stock Exchange, and the experienced proprietor of the cafe, all give the race in St. Louis that much more advance in business. Who's next? * * Mr. A. Russell, of the Russell & Gordon Undertaking Company, 1412 Chestnut street, was suddenly called to Alton, Ill., his former home, Sunday last, to the bedside of his youngest sister, Miss Maggie Russell, who was very ill. Mr. Samuels, their bookkeeper, accompanied him. * * Dr. Arthur, founder of the People's Auxiliary Hospital, Jefferson avenue and Washington street, will soon graduate the first colored class of trained nurses in the city. * * The Provident Hospital, under the efficient management of Miss J. Ella Valentine, a graduate trained nurse of the Freedman's Hospital Training School, Washington, D. C., is progressing nicely. They have recently fully equipped their operating room with the latest sanitary and scientific devices for practical and theoretical operations. * * Philip, the 3-year-old baby of Mrs. Effie Wilson, 28 Targee street, widow of the late Geo. Wilson, Corporal of Company A, Seventh Immunes, U. S. V., who was the first death at the Jefferson Barracks, is very ill from an accident. The young wife and mother is much bereft of an infant daughter, husband and the near approach of death to her last family comfort. * * Mrs. Eliza Worthington, sister of J. C. Copsley, 29 Targee street, a tireless secret society worker, is again able to be out, after a winter's illness. * * A white man walked into a Negro saloon recently on Morgan street, and after calling for a drink, pulled his gun and shot a colored spectator with fatal results. His statement being that he just wanted to shoot the Nigger for fun. He is awaiting trial, behind bars. This is quite a Southern white man's idea of fun, and the subject for just such devilish fun. * * Mr. Z. T. Jordon and wife and accomplished daughter, at the Century Rrestaurant, 1923 Market street, are making many world wide friends by their courteous manners and approach to strangers. * * Mr. William Wilkinson, the tonsorial artist, has been suffering from a summer cold the past few weeks. * * Mr. A. W. Wilkinson, the well known barber, is applying for the position on the State Board of Examiners, according to the new law, for licensing barbers. He has been heartily endorsed by a very wealthy Jewish West End Club to the number of over 100 signers. The colored men are also endorsing Mr. Wilkinson. The law provides for five to be appointed by the governor. * * Postal Clerk William Green, of 5609 N. Broadway, a trusted and intelligent colored young man, who has been in the postal service three years, was arrested Saturday morning by the postal officials, who had caught him in the act of robbing letters, from which it is reported over thousands of dollars have been taken, as it has been a year's suspicion. A bond of $2,000 was demanded which was not furnished. He admitted his crime of opening letters. He has a wife and family, and is only 26 years old. He was surrounded by 118 mail clerks, who never saw his shrewd act. A test letter containing $2.60 was the key to his immediate arrest, which letter and contents were found upon his person.

News and Notes.

Carthage, Mo., Special.—Carthage boasts of having more young musicians than any other town in this section. There are now six families that own pianos. Among the best known musicians and vocalists are Mrs. Ada B. Mason, who graduated last Saturday, is a talented young pianist and vocalist; Miss Octavia Scott ranks high among her race as a pianist; Mrs. Anna Brooks sings real well; Mrs. Dixon is probably the best among the vocalists. She has a sweet soprano voice and has wonderful control. Her singing was a feature at the school commencement exercises. * * Miss Lena Elmore is the most accomplished colored pianist in the city. * * Prof. E. S. Brown is probably the best known colored vocalist in the city. His wonderful voice has been heard quite often in concerts. He is also teacher of the art of cake walking. * * Miss Lena Elmore, one of Carthage's popular young teachers, has just closed a successful school term at Clinton, Mo., is here visiting her parents on Centennial avenue. * * B. F. Adams, principal of Lincoln School, has returned to his home at Springfield. He expects to return to this city in August to hold a Teachers' Institute in this city. Miss Alice Walker, his assistant, will spend the summer with her parents at Granby. It is hoped that the school board will retain these two popular teachers for another term. * * Warren Hansford, the popular tonsorial artist at White's shaving parlor, is a great admirer of The Freeman. * * Mr. Geo. W. Patterson, the colored orator, is another great Freeman reader. Mr. Patterson is one of the best known public men we have in the



THE LATE C. H. J. TAYLOR.

city. He has been often called on to speak. He has spoken quite often at the emancipation celebration in and around Carthage. A few more men of Mr. Patterson's calibre are greatly wanted in our midst. * * There is a rumor that there will soon be a series of colored weddings, to take place in this city. * * Miss Carrie Steward, of Springfield, Mo., is in the city, the guest of her friend, Miss Scott on Orner street. * * Miss Maggie Brown, who formerly attended Lincoln school, this city, holds a good position in the colored schools of Quincy. Miss Brown is a native of Fort Smith, Ark. She received her education here. * * Prof. N. T. Greene, who formerly taught here, who is a graduate of Lincoln Institute, is now teaching at his old home, Jefferson City, Mo. * * Both colored churches are getting along nicely. Rev. Dixon, pastor of the Methodist Church, is doing good work among his people; also Rev. Smith, of the Baptist Church. Both of the pastors are wide awake, and keep in touch with the times.

News Notes.

Minneapolis, Minn., special.—Mrs. W. S. Brooks left last Tuesday for Indianapolis, to visit her sister, Mrs. D. A. Graham. * * Mrs. Lovenia Young, of 1407 Fifth street south, died Wednesday at the residence of her son in-law, ex-Sergeant Z. A. Pope, Thirty-third street and Blaisdell avenue, and was buried Friday at 2 p. m. from Bethesda Baptist church, of which she was a devoted member. * * Hon. George H. White, of Tarboro, N. C., and Dr. D. H. Saunders, of Biddle University, Charlotte, N. C., with others of the Presbyterian Assembly, which met in this city last week, spoke at a meeting of the Afro-American Law Enforcement League last Sunday, and were splendidly received. * * J. Frank Wheaton Esq., returned home from a visit South, in the interest of the Shepard Photo Company, of which he is understood to be a stockholder, with almost a controling interest, but all is success to them. * * Dr. R. S. Brown looks fine in his new closed trap and his practice is still on the increase. * * Miss Leola Thomas is now improving under the care of Dr. Brown. * * Mr. Samuel Alexander departed last week for a permanent stay in Chicago. * * Mr. C. L. Britton has disconnected his duties from the firm of Rudd & Marks. The place is being filled by Mr. Will Gray. * * Mr. Fred Douglass, of Kansas City, is at 308 Nicollet avenue, filling the vacancy of Professor Alexander. * * Mr. Woodruff Hale is convalescing after a long siege of rheumatic trouble, which he is subject to.

Gleanings.

Lansing, Mich., special.—Miss Eva Calvert was the guest of her brother, Riley Calvert at the M. A. C. last week. Miss Calvert, who was on her way home, at Boyn, Mich., from Chicago, where she has visited for some time, left quite a pleasant impression in this city. * * Mrs. Cromley and daughter, Miss Nettie Cromley, of Portland, were visitors at the home of Miss Viola Thompson, of Grand street, last week. * * Mr. Ansel Viney, of Springfield, O., is a newcomer in our city and a very pleasant gentleman to meet. He expects to be employed here for some time to come. * * Mr. Isaiah Washington is very sick at his home on Williams street. Friends are solicitous about his condition. * * Rev. Masterson recently returned from a visit to Indianapolis. He reports remarkable church activity and enthusiasm in that city. * * Miss Florence Smith, of Main street, left last Monday, May 29, for Ann Arbor, where she will visit about a month. * * Mr. George Valentine, with his choir, has again taken charge of the singing at the A. M. E. church and good music is the result.

News in General.

Eufaula, Ala., special.—Eufaula has had another week of interesting events along educational lines. On Friday, the 12th inst., the school conducted by Mrs. E. W. Pollard, assisted by Misses Lydia Lunard and Sallie B. Comer, began its closing exercises. The concert at night was given by the lower grades of the school. This entertainment was very well patronized. The little folks acquitted themselves nicely. Among the many interesting numbers "A Sermon," by Edmond Drewery; "When I Am a Man," by Herman Nelms; "An Exercise Song," by a class; a solo, "Chinaman," Ned Wilson, were heartily cheered and each brought forth a storm of applause from the audience. "The Runaway" was an act in real life. Too much praise can not be given the teachers and students for this performance. Sunday morning at 11 o'clock the sermon was preached to the school by Rev. R. T. Pollard, A. B., pastor of the First Baptist church. Music by the school. Invocation by C. M. Wells. Then Miss Lunard, one of the assistant teachers, arose and introduced the speaker, Rev. Pollard. The reverend selected as a text 144 Psalms, verses 11, 12. Rev. Pollard was at his best and as he gave the exposition of the text it seemed that a flood gate had opened and poured out a stream of eloquence seasoned with pathos and earnestness. It was a strong plea for Christian education. As the preacher pictured the earnestness of the psalmist in uttering the prayer it seemed that the large congregation was completely enveloped in the speaker's words. At the close of the service many of the congregation confessed that they were more determined to educate their children. Mrs. Pollard presided at the organ. Monday from 9 a. m. to 2:30 p. m. quite a number of patrons and visitors attended the public examinations. The work of the classes was on exhibition. Map drawing, penmanship, spelling, compositions, etc. Tuesday night was the climax. After the audience had gathered they marched in, led by Mrs. Pollard. Miss Nellie Seabrooks presided at the organ. This was the closing night. Each number of the program was bright and charming. A dialogue "Mr. and Mrs. Sniffles," by Miss Shivers and Mr. Burnette, captured everybody present. A recitation and song by Lena Williams came in for a lion's share of the applause of the evening. "The Conundrum Family" was both witty and entertaining. "The Debating Club" tried to locate love. This was indeed a fine burlesque that almost brought the house on its feet. "Wanted—A Servant" capped the climax for fun and merriment. Space forbids a review of each number of the program. A solo by Miss Willie R. Jackson was one of the brilliant numbers that pleased every one. Miss Willie Lou Wilson, in her own happy style, sang "O Ye Tears." This solo alone was compensation for the entire audience. The following students were awarded prizes for punctuality, regular attendance, good conduct and services rendered: Johnny Blakey, Lorenzo Pollard, Lelia Lunard and Nellie Belle Seabrooks. This closed a series of very interesting entertainments that will live long in the memory of the people of Eufaula. * * The State of Alabama has a very rigid law now respecting teachers. In order to pass the State Board of Examiners applicants must be well prepared. Therefore, we have a Teachers' Normal Preparatory School in our town, taught by Profs. C. M. Wells and Jas. W. Fisher. Quite a number of teachers are taking advantage of this school. The teachers of the school are well pleased with the attendance so far. Those that are here claim that they have advanced over 50 per cent. since they entered the school. Professor Wells is well known to be one of the best educators in the State. Mr. Fisher is a young man and well prepared for his work. He is just in his third year's work since leaving college. Professor Wells says: "Mr. Fisher is as good as I've seen and as an instructor takes high rank in the profession."

Personal Mention.

Memphis, Tenn., special.—Magnolia Park was the center of attraction Sunday, the occasion being a grnd balloon ascension. * * The waiters and cooks of the Gayaso, Peabody and Clarendon hotels gave their annual picnic at Magnolia Park Monday. * * The annual bicycle road race will be run over Central avenue June 30 at 6:30 p. m. Entry cards can be purchased from L. A. White, Wiley Price and A. J. H. Bass for 50 cents. * * Mrs. Eliza F. Williams died May 17 at the family residence, 204 Hernando street. * * The Georgia street concert given at Beale Street church was a success. * * Lemayne Normal School will have their commencement exercises June 5.

Local News.

Springfield, O., special.—Sunday was rally day at North Street A. M. E. church. The church realized $169.00 on the debt of the church. * * The North Street church choir will give a musicale at the church next Monday evening. * * The Wilberforce baseball team passed through Springfield Monday en route for Tiffin to play the ball team of that city. * * The six-year-old child of Mrs. Beaty was buried from Second Baptist church Sunday last. * * Several lodges Sundayed at Jamestown Sunday last. * * The G. A. R. had their annual sermon preached at St. John's church Sunday.

QUEEN CITY DOINGS

A GRAND BANQUET TO BE GIVEN BY THE TWELVE TRIBES OF JUDAH

BISHOP B. F. LEE TO LECTURE.

The Dewey Guards Composed of Young Ladies Give a Drill—Interesting News and Society Notes.

Cincinnati, O., Special.—There will be a grand banquet given by the Twelve Tribes of Judah of the St. John A. M. E. Church, June 12th, under the auspices of said church. * * Mr. Jesse A. Crawford of Detroit, Mich., gave a grand recital, assisted by local talent, on last Monday evening at Bethel Baptist Church, and at the First Baptist Church, on Wednesday evening, to large and appreciative audiences. * * Mrs. Georgia Lewis, of 213 George street, made a flying trip to New Richmond, O., on last Sunday. * * Dr. E. A. Williams, formerly of New Orleans, La., left for Philadelphia, Washington, and Virginia, where he goes to establish Elk lodges. * * Dr. E. H. Curry, of the St. John A. M. E. Church, after several weeks' illness, filled his pulpit on last Sunday. * * The Dewey Guards, comprising 14 young misses, gave a grand drill exhibition on Monday evening, under the auspices of the Zion Baptist Church. Mr. John H. Fielding, Captain. * * The Deputy John H. Fielding will establish a Ladies' Knights of Honor, through Mrs. M. Johnson, of Covington, Ky., with sixty members. * * Rev. H. H. Harris, of Zion Baptist Church, will begin his series of illustrated sermons. The first will be "Pilgrim's Progress." * * Several of the members of Zion Baptist Church gave their pastor, Rev. Harris, a surprise party on last Wednesday, led by Mrs. John White. The spread was so grand that the table groaned under its burden. * * Bishop B. F. Lee will lecture at Allen Temple, A. M. E. Church, on June 5th, from 8 to 9 o'clock p. m. Reception by the church from 9 to 11. Admission to lecture and reception 10 cents. Refreshments included. Samuel Clark, chairman. * * Anyone desiring The Freeman can find it at the Phoenix Barber Shop, 605 John street, and at W. H. Fielding's Barber Shop, George street, near Plum. * * The Zion Baptist Church began its May fair on Monday evening, May 29th, to be of ten days' duration, which promises to be a grand affair. * * The program rendered before the Wheatley Literary Society on last Tuesday evening was a grand success and largely attended. * * The Young People's Literary of Zion Baptist Church was largely attended and the program par excellent, it being the eleventh anniversary. Ice cream and cake was served free to all present. * * A new lodge was instituted to be known as the Vigilant Lodge, Knights of Honor of the World, by Dr. E. A. Williams, J. H. Fielding and L. H. Wilson, with 30 members. * * Any one desiring Nelson's hair straightener will call on H. B. Brook, 213 George street.

Sparkling News.

Hannibal, Mo., Special—At the A. M. E. Church Friday evening, May 26, occurred the exercises of the Douglas school. A large platform was erected and decorated with beautiful plants and ferns. The church was crowded with people, young and old, eager to hear the entertainment given by the young people, whose welfare and education they have at heart. The graduates were Misses C. M. Bolden, Ida M. Foster, Lucy Brock, C. B. Bolden, Ada R. Robinson, Luke Lewis, Messrs. Edward Phenix and Wm. Hobbs. The exercises far exceeded any given for sevral years, and each graduate and member of the High School reflected great credit on our efficient principal, Prof. J. H. Pelham, whose scholarly attainments and devotion to his race has placed the Douglas High School foremost among the high schools of the State of Missouri. * * The citizens of Hannibal, who are lovers of good music will be pleased to learn that an orchestra composed of Edward Phoenix, Prof. Taylor Black, E. Newberry, cornet; T. Seltzer, claironet; Chas. Craig, bass violin, will make their appearance before the public in the near future. * * Wm. Blue, formerly a member of the Eighth Illinois Volunteers, is in the city.

THE DUTY OF THE HOUR

—BY—

CHARLES ALEXANDER.

In these days of social peril, when the reformer is trying with all his might to clarify the intellectual vision of men, so that they might see more clearly he true social, economic and political conditions of the masses, their utter helplessness, their misery, their unutterable state of demoralization and despair; their complete subordination to the whims and caprices of the few unmitigated industrial robbers, commercial schemers and political corruptionists, whose sordid ambitions to gain power has caused them to appeal to the baser instincts of human nature; it requires no little courage to undertake to portray these conditions, and to offer a solution to the very perplexing problems which confront the people of the United States. The reformer who devotes himself to this task stands in eminent danger of many phases of abuse and unjust criticism.

The Reformer is never populaar with two classes. If he champions the cause of the oppressed, he engenders the hatred 'of the oppressor. The social Reformer who earnestly strives to help humanity, and who observes the many fluctuations of favor and disfavor, encouragement and discouragement, even in the ranks of those who are to be benefited, is in danger of becoming a peevish, cynical, scoffing pessimist.

Because there are evidences of corruption in our Government, in the work of our churches. in the publication of our newspapers; and because our business methods appear to be nothing more or less than industrial savagery, we are not to argue that a good government is impossible, that a higher reverence and purer practice of morality is an exaggeration of an impossible ideal, and that honest dealing may not characterize the life of business men. We should not think the entire universe a lie simply because that portion of its population with which we are familiar are unreliable and unjust. Even among these we find noble men and women in whose presence there is inspiration and pleasure. We must remember that behind all written laws, and all phenomena of matter and mind, are the laws of nature in constant operation. No mistakes are made in the application of these laws. Whenever we deviate from the path of rectitude, it is a source of consolation to feel sure that nature is doing just what is best to rectify our errors. The degree in which we co-operate with Nature, measures our degree of satisfaction.

If we observe the conditions of health, wisdom and rectitude of conduct, either involuntary or voluntary, we find that life is worthy of all the misfortunes which men encounter. We are so constituted that some degree of sickness, of folly, and of wrong doing, is inevitable. This liability to physical, mental and social hardships cannot be avoided, and Nature shares with us the responsibility for it. She has resources to meet every possible requirement, from the slight cratch of a splinter to the fall and devastation of a great country. Nothing which happen can be too good or too bad for Nature to dispense with.

If our civilization has its swamps of ignorance, superstition and corruption, it also has its summits of intelligence, goodness and virtue. If we have those who are given to falsehood and unrighteousness. we have also those who love truth and will make every sacrifice to see that justice is done in all the walks of life,

Even in the home where misery and crime hover like a dark cloud, there is the memory of some joyous period which lends animation to the sorrowful soul. In the humblest home there is some friendship, some love, some intense heart-born affection, which make life a jewel of priceless worth. As highly as wealth is appreciated, as much as money is loved and worshipped, it is not the only incentive in the world for noble acts. The pulsating heart of human sympathy and love and devotion tell the faithful story of human happiness or woe.

Human society is like a garden, it develops just in proportion as it is cultivated. Men and women like plants, if carefully nutured by good and enobling influences, will grow into things of beauty We are just what our environments make of us and what we make of our environments. In our judgment of men, we should judge by the sum of their opportunities and the quality of their environments, and not the individuals themselves. It will aid us to a more just appreciation of the possible goodness of our neighbors, and greatly help to conserve our own happiness, through the diffusion of the warm blood of charitable impluse. Good society is made up of good people; individuals are judged by the quality of their minds and character; and minds and characters are pure and good according as their constituent elements are pure and good. The soldier is not naturally braver than other men, but his uniform and office develop a greater courage than the majority of men possess. Put the average soldier in rags, throw him into the streets, no money in his pockets, no opportunity for employment, let him go about hungry and dirty and unobserved, let no one sympathize with him, no one pay him friendly attention; but every one curse him, spit in his face, knock and kick him about, and see how much patriotism he will have, see how much he will re-respect law and order, see how much respect he will manifest for our institutions. Men are just what conditions make them.

Dignify a man by placing him in a position of honor, in a position to command his fellow men, let him feel his importance, and you make of him all that human influence can. Not one man in a hundred is willfully criminal. Men want to be good they want to be respected, and they want to be honored. Nearly every one is doing the very best he knows how, to improve himself and society. Nearly every one is trying to make his life one of comfort and happiness. It is therefore unfair to condemn a man before putting yourself in his place. The possibilities of all crimes and all virtues are in every mind. The possibilities of all superstition and all learning are in every mind. The condition, the occasion, the circumstances, will surely develop these possibilities. Very often the Judge should change places with the drunkard who has just been condemned to sixty days in jail. The judge, who accepted a bribe of $1000 from the brewery, is really the man who should be condemned to imprisonment and not the drunkard who followed a depraved appetite and who is now forced to suffer two tortures for his conduct. There is a cause for all the bad conduct of men just as well as there is cause for all the good conduct of men. Our complex social system makes criminality desirable and hence we have men who will submit to clubbing and imprisonment, not because they enjoy it but because the clubbing and imprisonment is preferable to the uncertainty of the condition of pauperism into which modern society has placed them.

Stop making criminals and crime will become a curiosity. There is excuse for the depravity of the Negro. In many cases he is deprived of good influences, he is deprived of the opportunities of industry, he is deprived of school advantages; he is cheated of his earnings. Men believe in goodness. All would like to live in comfort and security. Every man wants to be happy. A robber is simply a good citizen spoiled. A thief is a reliable man forced by circumstances to deviate from the path of rectitude. No man with the least bit of common sense would change the comforts and luxuries of the wealthy man's home for the filthy den of the pauper. Every criminal may be changed into a self-respecting citizen—a blessing to society, instead of a terrorizing menace.

Monopoly and other despotic systems of American life have a tendency to manufacture criminals. The reform which is necessary to change this awful state of affairs must be purely social. The education needed is not mere study of the fiction of history, but rather getting in touch with the vital forces of the present.

There is land enough, sunshine enough, goodness enough, moral energy enough—in fact enough of everything in this great country to build up a happy, educated, healthy, industrious nation. The fact of the matter is every man is forced to be worse than he wants to be. If conditions were changed men would change. The forces that are to deliver us are not new, nor strange; they are merely the sense of sympathy and fair play that is being developed in all the common walks of life.

(To be continued.)

Synonimous News.

New Orleans, La , Special.

The great Louisiana exposition and state fair, still goes on in the Crescent City, New Orleans, La., having remarkable success, each day presents a different variety for exhibition. May 22, was Military day the soldiers were the guest of honor, a magnificent program was arranged for the occasion with series of competitive military drills. Three cheers for the Crescent City. The Leland University's closing exercise a few days ago was one to compete with any that has ever been witnessed in the history of the school. Among the number of graduates were: Misses Selena Joseph, Sallie Cooper, A. Cook. Messrs H. Williams, H. Lee and others. New Orleans University will follow in the wake after which the Strait's University and Southern University will close with excellent reults of the years toil and study. The Eagle Life Union, a meritorious enterprise, is awakening a great interest in this Crescent City, and surrounding territories. Energetic agents wanted everywhere. Address, Eagle Life Union 1835 3rd street, New Orleans, La. In the short time of about 30 days, New Orleans has been spiritually blessed, in that over five hundred men and women, have been called from outer darkness, to marvelous light. And made heirs. and joint heirs of the kingdom, both methodist and baptist. Baptism has been a frequent occurrence. "If I be lifted up I will draw all men unto me" saith the Lord of hosts. The battles are now over and the victory is achieved on Israel's side.

Will Reopen May, 15.

Sleeping Car Line from Louisville and Indianapolis. to Detroit. via. Dayton and Toledo, over Pennsylvania Lines, Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railway and Michigan Central Railroad Daily through service will leave Indianapolis at 7.20 P. M. Arrive Detroit next morning at quarter past six, in time for breakfast and connections for resorts in eastern Michigan and summer havens in Canada. For particulars address local Pennsylvania Lines Ticket Agent or W W. Richardson, D. P. A., Indianapolis, Ind.

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PROF. G. W. TRENHOLM, PH. B.,

Principal—His Proficient Assistants are Important Factors—Three Young Ladies Graduated—People Gathered there to Hear the Graduating Address.

The outside world is ignorant as to the intellectual development among the Negroes of Tuscumbia, Ala. The question may be asked, "are there any good things in Tuscumbia?" The writer's answer is, subscribe for the Freeman and keep posted.

The third commencement exercises of the Tuscumbia Colored High-school closed Friday, May 19—having the honor of being one of the two who claim to give a full High-school course—this course has been put on since 1896. I am not able to understand how so much work could have been accomplished with just three teachers. Prof. G. W. Trenholm, Ph. B., is principal of said school. He made his advent in the town of Tuscumbia in 1896—and took charge of the work; since that time, the school has been in a progressive order—notwithstanding the Board (white) doubted his ability to diffuse new life in the colored citizens, and have them to co-operate with him in what had become an elephant to them.

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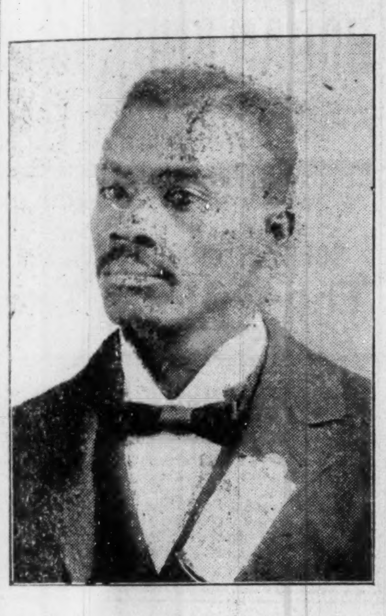

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not believe that Prof. Trenholm could have accomplish so much in such a short time." He has a way of making friends and holding them. Few young men are rising to eminent and lofty stations in life, faster than he.

Prof. Trenholm graduated with the class of '96 from the A. & M. College, Normal, Ala., with high honors, being a perfect model on the campus in his general deportment. Prof. Trenholm, whose photo appears in this issue, connected himself with the Felton Normal Schools and Commercial College the fall of 1896 through correspondence, Felton, Mich., the result of which is he graduated the spring of 1899 from the philosophical course and arts department—taking the degree of Ph. B. He has the distinction of being the first of his race in his native state to graduate from such an institution. He is at present first vice-president of the State Teachers' Association; president of Calbert county Teachers' Institute; a member of the Executive Board of the Baptist persuasion of Alabama. Prof. Trenholm is a model young man with a promising future. He is now standing in the twilight of the May morning of his life and still greater things await him; and with his master mind, honest purposes and persistant efforts he will write high his name upon the scroll of fame—he will make it to the top where there is room, and as he climbs he will tear down the wall of oppression, surmount the mountains of opposition, over-ride the hills of difficulties, scale the ladder of fame and hide his intellectual mind among the constellations that never fell.

The following young ladies graduated this year: Misses Laura B. Nelson, Mattie C. Cooper and Julia F. Ross. Misses C. N. Ross and E. T. Brown are important factors in the Tuscumbia school—the former being a graduate of the A. & M. College at Normal, Ala., and the latter of Central Tennessee College. These young ladies as teachers, are well fitted for the work in which they are engaged. They may be numbered among the true teachers of to-day. Miss Julia F. Meredith, the able music teacher, scatters sunshine as she goes. She is very polished in manners—having resided in the city of St. Louis a few years makes her prominent as a teacher of her profession in great demand at that place. We shall say more about Tuscumbia in our next.

FLORENCE, ALABAMA.

The Freeman representative takes great pleasure in stating to our many readers that they will hear from Florence in the future through the columns of the Freeman. We have secured the services of Miss Mary L. Copier, one of the brightest young ladies in Alabama, to report the news in and around town. Miss Copier is a graduate of Fisk University with the class of '94. Since that time she has been principal of the Carpender High-school at Florence which is under the management of the American Missionary Association of New York city.

The school is growing rapidly; much good has been accomplished through this young lady and her assistant, Miss A. M. Nicholson of Memphis, who is a graduate of Fisk University with the class of '93. We expect great things from Miss Copier.

TRICKS OF WRITERS.

A Ruse by Which Kipling Piqued His Readers' Curiosity.

"When I first began to read Kipling," said a New Orleans admirer, "my curiosity was immensely piqued by the scraps of verse with which he usually headed his early stories. They were all credited to poems I had never heard of in my life and were just such salient, striking fragments as would naturally whet one's appetite for the remainder. For over a year I tried hard to locate those mysterious poems and enlisted half a dozen book dealers in the search. At last one of them wrote me that I was wasting time and that the alleged quotations were merely Mr. Kipling's little joke.

"In other words, he manufactured 'em to order and stuck them at the top of his tales for the sake of the odor of erudition they lent to the production. I was mad for awhile, but when I cooled off I had a good big laugh. Of course you know Scott used to do the same thing, and so, for that matter, did Edgar Allan Poe. Poe was really the worst quotation fakir of the lot.

"He would write wise sounding detached sentences and credit them to imaginary German philosophers with long, outlandish and impressive names. However, I don't know why the thing should be punishable. The business of a writer of fiction is to create an illusion, and as long as he does it I for one am not particular what means he employs to contribute to the end."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Medical Students' Primer.

What place is this? This is the Pathological society. How does one know it is the Pathological society? You know by the specimens and the smells.

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What is that on a plate? That is a tumor. It is a very large tumor. It weighs 112 pounds. Was the tumor removed from the patient? No; the patient was removed from the tumor. Did they save the patient? No, but they saved the tumor.

What is this in the bottle? It is a tapeworm. It is a long tapeworm; it is three-quarters of a mile long. Is that much for a tapeworm? It is indeed much for a tapeworm, but not much for the Pathological society.—Indiana Medical Journal.

Burr's Fierce Retort.

Aaron Burr at one time attended a church in Albany where all the aristocracy of the town was to be found on each Sunday. Soon he fell into the practice of being late, and finally the wardens of the church asked the minister to reprimand him openly. On the next Sunday, when Burr entered late as usual, the minister stopped in the middle of his sermon and said, "Sir, I shall appear at the judgment seat against you!"

Burr gazed at him placidly and answered, "Sir, in all of my practice I have found that class of criminals that turns state's evidence the most to be despised." There were no more public reprimands in that church.

An All Around Calamity.

A gentleman invited some friends to dinner, and as the colored servant entered the room he accidentally dropped a platter which held a turkey.

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The Ruling Spirit.

Mr. Hiland—Poor Skribbles kept up to the very last the fiction that he was a man of letters.

Mr. Halket—How so?

Mr. Hiland—In his will be appointed a literary executor.—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

Next Thing to It.

He—Oh, by the way, the doctor advised me to eat a water cracker before going to bed; said it would prevent my insomnia. Are there any in the house?

She—The only thing in the house approaching a water cracker is the ice pick.—Indianapolis Journal.

Extremes.

Cham, the French caricaturist, was talking one day with a Gascon, who bragged that his father's ancient baronial dining hall was the wonder of the world. It was so high you could hardly see the roof.

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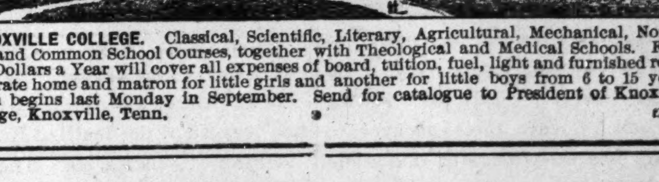

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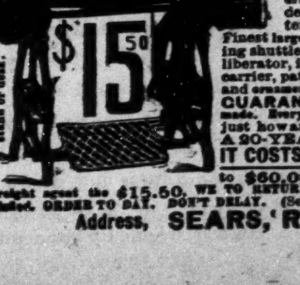

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THE INDIANAPOLIS DALIES.

It is certainly a pleasure to note the tone of the Indianapolis daily papers as it relates to the racial feeling in this country. The Indianapolis News, a publication noted for its soundness generally on all topics, and of vast influence, is perhaps in the lead when it comes to persistency and pronounced advocacy of measures that tend to relax the high tensioned relations between the races. It holds what may be considered an ideal position when it comes to mediation between the whites and blacks; a position which is simply impregnable; safe from the attacks of the most rabid anti-Negroites, consoling to the Negroes, consistent with the laws of the land, in accordance with humanity and philanthropy, in the interest of civilization and national prosperity. When it so graphically sets forth the following it may be assumed that public sentiment will not always slumber:

"But Negroes are lynched in the South, or subjected to outrages almost as bad, for other reasons than the brutal crime against white women.

Recall the midnight murder of the postmaster at Lake City, the burning of his cabin, the killing of his babe in the fleeing mother's arms, and all that; and no one punished for the awful crime. Recall the way Negro politicians and leaders were driven, under threats of death, a few months ago, from Wilmington. Recall the lynching of Negroes near Texarkana; and numerous other cases. And in so many instances, the men lynched were merely under suspicion, like Strickland, the Negro preacher, killed after Sam Hose met his fate. Furthermore, the lynchings have been attended so often with such horrible atrocity of torture, which adds immeasurably to the demoralization resulting from the violent abrogation of law by the mob."

But the Negroes will not take it for granted that the espousal of their interest is a signal for license. It means that there are those standing by "lookers-on in Venice" who are ready and willing to use their influence, their endeavors in righting the great wrongs of this country providing that this influence and these endeavors are supplemented, aided or abetted by the efforts of the Negroes. This recital of wrongs coming from the source it does will equal the same recital ocurring in a half-hundred Negro publications. It further says:

"Men of the North do right in appealing to the white men of the South first of all, for they can understand the appeal. Let them obey the law and enforce the law of whites and blacks impartially, and the fear of the law will become an increasing force to hold bad men in check."

And not only do white men understand the appeal better, perhaps, but they are in a mood to listen to white men. The southern white men are willing to be persuaded or influenced by members of their own race and not by what they are pleased to term the inferior race. The appeal for the creation of public sentiment for that reason must be intrusted largely to the whites who are held as equals with one another regardless of sections, rather than to the Negroes who do not and cannot claim such distinction for many reasons. And right here it is that the Negroes err largely in asserting racial equality, whico assertion the result of injured pride, has had very much to do in checkin the growth of the Negro race.

The race will do well to sacrifice this contention of racial equality, which conditions appertain to the individual sphere more than to the individual himself. Looking at the question from this world wide view it can be readily seen what inferiority means as seen by the whites. And furthermore it would speak very little of the whites if the Negroes in thirty-five years could measure arms with the evolutions of centuries. The race has all to gain by consenting that the nascent period is on—growing growing, ever growing. The race will not forget that while the north and the major portion of the South deprecates these outbreaks and are in every way trying to bring about friendlier feelings, the race has its duties to perform. The "News" rightfully asserts that the great majority of Negroes, led by such eminent leaders as Washington and others are doing their best to level up the vicious minority that lies as the basis of the disturbances. But there are those of the Negro race in high places who are unconsciously bent on trouble perhaps. These would be harmless enough if it was not for the decided penchant to assume the commanding situations. It may be noted that the white press have not yet ascribed these out breaks to the activity or non activity of Federal authorities. Such ascription is uncharitable and not warranted by the trend of events. The President serves the whole people, governing by the concensus of opinions and sentiments as much as by congressional enactments. Administrations desire political longevity and they are likely to do the very best they can under existing circumstances. There are others to contend with and sentiment is certainly the fore runner of all laws.

It is useless to speak of the dry letter of the law, for unless it is shrouded with actual intense, living sentiment it is a senseless mummery.

Duty to country is the first law of all nations. The Greeks the world's greatest preceptors, taught it; every thing for good of the state. Rome could not have gathered up the world in her folds had it not been to the individual glory of those who dwelt upon that midocean that "moaned with memories" and the Negroes must profit by their example. Let it be remembered that in wars nations do not always have the choice of selecting their enemies.

Let the race beware of its its own prejudices. It is a factor of the country. It is advancing every day in all phases of civilization. The learned of the race knows from what depths it has come and therefore should see cause for gratulation in spite of temporary defeats. It therefore should be always espousing the country's interests, feeling a glow of patriotism that should overshadow all other considerations.

Let the good work go on. Let these noble institutions beat down the tall walls of opposition. Let the Negro institution instil in their kind the sense of fitness and propriety and locked between these two opposing forces, in the mills of the gods, may the great act o transmutation take place that will result in the larger and better understanding of the whole people.

THE LATE C. H. J. TAYLOR.

Long before this the general public has learned of the death of Hon. C. H. J. Taylor of Atlanta, Ga. The information of his death came as a surprise and a shock to his many friends and admirers throughout the union. He was yet comparatively a young man and in robust health it was generally supposed. He was a pioneer Negro democrat but didn't suffer the unpopularity that so readily attached to those who so early espoused the cause of that party. His genial nature won him consideration and warm friends among both races regardless of party ties. He served the country as minister to Liberia, Africa, but for some reason he felt that the situation was humorous and he gave it up regardless of the large salary that the post brought. His many friends will not forget his characterization of our foster Republic for many a joke he cracked at that country's expense. Taylor hailed originally from Kansas and was a lawyer and a newspaper man at different times. He was decidedly Bohemianish in his inclinations or of a nomadic disposition. Indianapolis at one time claimed him as a citizen. Many other cities can lay claim as the home of the genial, courtly Taylor who made friends whereever he stopped.

Ex-President Grover Cleveland appointed him as Recorder of Deeds at Washington, D. C., where he became the immediate successor of the late Hon. B. K. Bruce and a successor to the late Honorable Frederick Douglass. The manifest opposition to this appointment was allayed by Mr. Taylor's affability, suavity and diplomacy. The struggle will be easily recalled by the Washingtonian Negroes many of whom opposed the eminent Taylor because he did not reside among them, and in consonance with a home rule policy, these people people had outlined. Life at first in Washington did not go as merry as marriage bells for him: the outcome of which was a book by Taylor, that was held to be reflective. This book was suppressed by order of the courts. In Atlanta, his new home he seems to have made friends as usual which is very evident from the the general regret manifested at his demise. His late venture was the publication, The Atlanta Appeal which exhibited some of Taylor's eccentricities, yet it was sincere in trying to promote friendlier relations between the races. He at one time advocated a Negro Party but the Negroes as a rule wisely refused to co-operate in such a dangerous innovation. The Morris Brown College honored him with the Deanship of its Law Department. Take it all in all Taylor may be set down as one that always lingered in the shadow of greatness. His lack of decision and determination to cling to anything for a great length of time possibly had something to do with his limiting the career that always seemed within his grasp. His hold on the affections of men was tenacious and lasting and in this respect he was gseat. We feel that the race has lost a staunch champion in his death.

Lexington, Ky., May 23, 1899.
38 E. Fourth street,
Editor Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind.:

Dear Sir.—I have read with infinite pleasure and to much profit several editions of your great and ever growing journal and I feel that I can assert, without the slightest fear of successful contradition, that it is second to no Negro journal now published in the interest of the race.

I entertain the opinion that there is no paper published that is more instrumental than the Freeman in helping the sable sons of Ham to propel their way through the mists of prejudicial vapor that is and has been for so long resting upon the splendid prerogatives of our American manhood. There is not a newspaper in the country that proclaims more loudly to the world the progressive tendencies of our race. I trust that its influence will, ere long, be executed to the uttermost confines of civilization and that George L. Knox will eventually become the acknowledged "power behind the throne" of Negro journalism.

Yours very truly,
R. D. DRAKE.

Now here is praise that is praise indeed. We stand appalled by this more than ordinary contribution to the aims and endeavors of the Freeman. In this letter, by the language we note the intelligence of the author which is the greatest reason for giving it consideration.

We will not for a moment question the sincerity of the writer. We can only hope that there are others who are as deeply and sensibly convicted along this line. To know that one's acts are applauded of mankind, discriminating mankind, especially when such acts grow out of worthy motives, is perhaps as much price as one should expect. Of course newspapers do not thrive wholly on praise, but mankind by some hook or crook has always seen to it that the laborer was worthy of his hire.

We take this public way of thanking the author for his very fulsome praise, hoping that the majority of those who read the paper are willing to concede the same, all in the interest of a common country and a common people.

The colored people of the city have done a very sensible thing in voting sympathy to the government in her struggle with the Filipinos. At Allen Chapel church, of this city, a mass meeting was held last week as a means of giving expression of sympathy and confidence in the administration. Prominent speakers presented the situation and were generously applauded by an appreciative audience that was notable for its quality.

It goes without saying that the movement is in the right direction. Had the meeting been a failure it would have been a travesty; a burlesque on Negro suffrage. It may be insisted again that the race may find exception to the governments policy or proposed policy in reducing these people to terms from other considerations than from a racial standpoint.

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The "Indianapolis News" that staunch advocate of right to mankind regardless of race or creed in speaking of the Lake City affair says: "Let them walk for their mail." We hail this as another evidence of that sense of retributive justice that lies more or less deeply imbedded in mankind. Grateful appreciation is due the man or concern, that can come out and take a stand even for the right in the face of a trying situation.

However, it is not to be felt that this great paper is without company, for great Christian America is without doubt right along with it.

Let the white papers insist if they will that that the government punish these citizens of Lake City by compelling them to walk miles for their mail instead of having their postoffice restored to them. But let us, the race, the injured party, "forgive them, for they know not what they do;" hoping to win more from the act of charity than that of retributive justice inasmuch as the actual offenders are at liberty.

Vengeance in such matters is not so much to be desired as the conformity with the laws in meting out justice to offenders. In this the authorities have failed. It will not contribute anything to the wholesomeness of the situation to take vengeance on the whole city; for peradventure there have been individuals born since then. It smacks too much of the benighted days when whole cities were held for ransom, etc.

The spirit is to be commended, however, and it must be set down as one more test of a revival of a feeling in common wherein lies the Negroes' sole salvation.

Re-establish the postoffice. Put them on their good behavior. It perhaps was their first offense. They know better now; besides the few were guilty and they rejoice while the community suffers. Let the government see to it, that in event of the repetition of the deed, that no "guilty man escapes." It will prove a far more efficacious antidote than years of dislocated postoffices.

News Notes.

Duluth, Minn., Special.

W. B. Richardson, Rev. R. Taylor and Miss A. H. Porter have in this past week been quite ill. Miss Minnie Richey was recently made the happy possessor of a handsome bicycle from her father. She expects to join the club which anticipates riding to St. Paul this summer. Messrs J. M. Richey and Chas. Colby have left for Detroit and Cleveland by way of the Lakes. James A. Porter and J. H. Butler are making great preparation for their trip to Paris France to the Exposition of 1900. Duluthians seem to have the idea in their heads that Pullman and Wagner and others are going out of the business and that walking won't be good for I also see Bruce Black now rides a wheel recently purchased and just watch! C. H. McD. says his wheel will be here in a week or so.

Death of an Old Citizen.

Omaha, Neb., Special.

Mr. Ed. Parks an old and respected resident of this city died May 21, and was buried from the St. John A. M. E. church by the Western Star Lodge No. 1, K. of P. He leaves an aunt and a cousin. Western Star Lodge No. 1, K. of P., will give their first installation picnic June 6.

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The P. T. Wright Nashville Students will close their season June 3.

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Tom Logan and Ernest Hogan it is reported have left for Australia.

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Wm. H. Windom and the Blackstone Quartette have joined hands again.

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Harry Stafford and Billy McClain left New York City for Australia last week.

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Jos. H. Kelley and Walter Smith send regards to Marshall Hoskins and friends.

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The 4-11-44 Trio—Messrs. Sorrell, Gibson and Wilson are warm "coons" and are still heating.

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Harry Scott and Carter Johnson are at the Wonderland Theatre, Buffalo, N. Y., this week.

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Clifford D. Brooks, singing and dancing comedian, will play summer engagements in New York.

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Harry Waters has signed with the Oliver Scott Refined Negro Minstrels for the coming season.

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John Rucker will be with the Richards, Pringles, Rusco & Holland's big Minstrels, next season.

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Al. Field late of the team of Field and Hanson is going to take out a double minstrel the coming season.

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Hampton and Johnson writes they are just "living easy" with their pork-chops, etc., in New York City.

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'Tis said that Frank Craig, the "Harlem Coffee Cooler" receives $150 a week for boxing in London concert halls.

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Billy D. Black, vocalist, comedian, impersonator and musician, promises many new things the coming season.

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Cole and Johnson's "A Trip to Coontown" open in a Broadway, New York house for the summer season June 10.

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McCarver, Reed and McCarver will be seen with Richards, Pringle Rusco and Holland's big Minstrels, season 1899-1900

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John W. Vogel's Mastodon Minstrels and "Darkest America" close a very successful long season at Lima, O., June 5.

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Prof. C. W. Jones, of the Log Cabin Concert Co. sends regards to La She, P. G. Lowery, Joe Pleasant and Ed. O. Green.

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S. H. Shelton, of Galveston, Tex., sends regards to Miss Allie Dawson and Will Cook, of the Black Patti Troubadours.

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Clarence Cissel and Gussie Mines are playing dates through Western New York, they have future dates for the western circuits.

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Willis Accooe, the accomplished musical director, will be with Cole and Johnson's "A Trip to Coontown" aggregation the coming season.

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Major Ben. F. Payne sends kind greetings to Geo. Chandler, Babe Alexander, Wm. Buckner, Cute Lukie Craft Leland Melroy and friends.

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Alice Mackay Accooe, has accepted an engagement for the season 1899 and 1900 with Cole and Johnson's "A Trip to Coontown" as prima donna contralto.

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James White, vocal comedian will close with P. G. Lowery's big aggregation with The Forepaugh, Sells Bros.' shows, June 8 and return to New York city.

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Miss Edna Alexander, of the "Coontown Four Hundred" has made a big hit singing: "Love in a Cottage." She has had to respond to four and five curtain calls nightly.

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Hiram Sorrell, of the 4-11-44 Trio and Miss Lillian Russell, a non-professional of New York City, will be married during the month of July, so says Dame Rumor.

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Tom Brown and Miss Edna Alexander, of the "Coontown Four Hundred" worked together during their engagement in Toronto, Canada, their comedy skit was well received.

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Billy and Willa Farrell have returned to this country after an extended successful tour of Europe. They will return to London in time for the Christmas pantomines season.

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After many years of high class vaudeville and minstrelsy, Major Ben F. Payne has gone back to "Uncle Tom." "Nothing like it when you get the dough boys," says the Major.

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Herbert LaShe, slack-wire artist, is now at his home, 618 Vine street, Des Moines, Ia. He sends regards to Clifford Brooks, Will Lewis, Wm. Sheilds, and McCarver, Reed and McCarver.

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McCarver, Reed and McCarver, the Georgian Cracker Jacks are spending their vacation in Columbus, O. They are booked to appear at the B. O. of C. P. benefit, Indianapolis, June, 15-16-17.

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The Barnetts, R. H. and Nettie are making a big hit in their new act entitled "Topsy is in Town." They send regards to Joe Jordon, John C. Pittman, Harry L. Gillam and Dan E. Washington.

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John W. Isham, filed a petition in bankruptcy in New York City, May, 19, with liabilities of $14,001. Among the creditors are Tiffany Dugan, salary $800 Harry S. Stafford, salary $153 and D. H. Wheeler, salary $111.

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Col. Bud Smith, of the Log Cabin Concert company was the recipient of a pair of gold buttons, with diamond settings from an old Kirksville, Mo., admirer, Mr. Chittwood, (white) while playing that town recently.

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The Nightengale Quartette—Messrs. J. Lewis Johnson, Thos. Young, C. Ed Grayson and Huston C. Butler are singing their way most rapidly into the hearts of their many hearers in Indianapolis. This young quartette is fully able to make good with any of the leading colored singing organizations.

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Hezikiah Allen has opened a colored concert hall in Buffalo, N. Y., with Hezikiah Allen, prop.; C. C. Smith, manager Fred Jackson and Will Davis at the bar; Henry Constance, pianist; Bob Fasker, stage director; Maggie Taylor, Pearl Douglass, Cora Bell, Will Ashton, Spider Bratton and Monroe & Hall.

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Lew W. Henry, of team of Henry and Asher, singing and dancing comedians, is in Chicago, where he will spend three weeks on important business, afterwhich he will leave for New York City to join his partner Wm. (Kid) Asher, to play dates for the summer. He sends regards to Furber & Davis, Uncle Rufus Hogan, and all other B. O. of C. P's.

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Mr. Jesse Mosby, of Centennial lodge, No. 4, B. O. of C. P., was a Freeman caller this week. Mr. Mosby is in the city on business concerning the order, and brings the good news that the lodge in Toledo, Ohio, is in excellent condition, and that they will be well represented at the Annual Grand Session in June.

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The Log Cabin Concert company carrying twenty people are meeting with good success throughout Missouri. The parade catches the people. John Laws the seventeen year old drum major is certainly the best manipulator seen in Missouri. Glenola Johnson, slide trombonist and dancer is setting them wild with his seventy-five buck and wing steps.

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After a short vacation, the John F. Stowe's Uncle Tom Cabin company opened at St. Charles, Mo., under tent for the Summer season, last Monday night 22nd. inst. and turned them away. The personal of the company numbers 30 whites and 12 colored people, a white and colored band and a lady drum corps (colored.) Dimension of canvas, 40x120 complete.

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Mr. Harry Fidler has assumed charge of the rehearsals for the Monster "Buffalo" Entertainment to be given June 15, 16 and 17 at the Park Theatre. The solo and chorus singing is being trained by Prof. R. B. Shelton, who has at different times held the position as vocal director with John W. Isham's "Oriental America" and "Octoroon" companies, also of the Oliver Scott's Refined Negro Minstrels

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C. H. Wiliams writes us from the Ellsworth Comedy company:—"We are still packing our one hundred and fifty foot round top and the S. R. O. sign is out nightly. J. A. Taylor our tenor vocalist is still hitting them hard with his singing. Prof. G. B. Brooks has received several new selections and the band is still the talk of the town. The two Mortons, Harry and Ted send their regards to Dick Thomas.

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The Old Plantation Trio—Martinette, Roddy and Wallace opened at Pittnam Grove Park, New Jersey to eight thousand people in conjunction with John Smith, comedian and mimic, W. W. Scales and Harry Dunn; and cast of Creole girls. While in Philadelphia the Trio had the pleasure of calling on Alf. Weathers and found him in a very critical condition, but as lively as he could be. He is at the Pennsylvania Hospital where he is getting the best of treatment. The Trio sends regards to Elmore Dodds, R. N. Thompson, McCarver, Reed and McCarver, Harry Royston, Clarence Powell, Skip Farrell and others after closing there they will spend the summer at Atlantic City, N. J., sticking their "dogs" in salt water.

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OUR LONDON LETTER:

Messrs. Goggin and Davis, comedy acrobats, sends the following from London, England, dated May 15: "Our voyage across the big pond was a delightful one. We found all of the colored profession doing fine over here and many are booked a year ahead. The Mobile Comedy Five and Bessie Lee are a big hit here also Rachel Walker who is now touring the Provinces and are due in London in July; we correspond with them regularly every week. Billy Farrell and wife sailed for America last Saturday to fill engagements over the Proctor and Orpheum circuits. Louis Love, who went to South Africa two years ago with O. M. McAdoo, is here doing well. Pharen and Spriggs are at Middlesex Music Hall for four weeks with others to follow. Frank Bivens and George Jackson are in Berlin, Germany. We are now in the third week of our four weeks engagement at the Palace which has been extended to ten weeks. We anticipate coming home in August, and return to Europe again for one year, for which we are booked solid. This is a great country for snow business. We will write you every week."

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Notes from W. A. Mahara's Mammoth Minstrels.—We have now entered on our summer tour, and business is all that could be desired. The weather is cool and pleasant, and our up-to-date performance is witnessed by crowds nightly. We have an entirely new parade outfit for both band and walking gents, and the appearance of the company is highly complimented daily, while on parade and band concerts. Prof. Handy, bandmaster, deserves special praise for the splendid music the band discourses at the daily concert. Mrs. William Handy of Henderson, Ky., is spending the summer with her husband, bandmaster of the Mahara's minstrels. New arrivals are Mr. and Mrs. Ray Trusty, the famous Eastern sketch artists and cake walkers. This is their first trip West, and they score a big hit nightly. Mr. C. J. Scotte, euphonium soloist, went to his home in Vicksburg, Miss., to spend a couple of weeks and attended the commencement of the Clinton college where his sister graduated May 25. The boys all wish him a pleasant trip. Simpson and Pittman, high-class musical artists continues to hold the audiences spell-bound with their renditions of classic music on their wonderful instruments. The Watts are prime favorites from the time they appear upon the stage until the close of their act. Al, in his funny sayings and queer antics, and Cecil, as a dainty soubrette are all that could be desired. As the "Man In White" is now making his usual rounds, I will close, 'nough said.

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Mr. Arthur L. Prince sends the following: " 'The beginning and the end.' The Famous Nashville Students will close their season on the 3rd of June for the first time in three years; during that time they have met with great success; many of the leading professionals got their first lesson with the Students. Now, for a short vacation, each and every one going to their respective homes. Mrs. Ida Lee Wright, proprietress and her little son, Roy Wright, will spend their vacation in Chicago. Mr. L. E. Gideon, manager, wont have any one certain place to rest as business will keep him hustling and arranging for next season's big show. Permanent address all mail to the Jordan Show Printing Co., Chicago, Ill. Mr. and Mrs. John Stewart will go to Louisville, Ky. Mr. Desdunes, leader of orchestra, will go to Chicago. Our stage director, A. P. Harris will leisure in Chicago. Mr. Charles Green, clarionetist, who is from the city of cyclones, blows well; he will return to St. Louis. George Bryant will go home to Oceola, Ia. The song and dance team of Vaughner and Williams will go home to Chicago; Williams, alias 'Cotton Eyed Joe' says 'his pork chops' are ready and waiting for him. Harry Prampin wishes to inform his many friends that he will spend his vacation in the windy city. Well boys, the peerless band will rest awhile. He sends regards to all friends. Tom Jefferson of the team of (Tom Jefferson only) will spend his vacation in Iowa's capital city. Master Johnnie Magee, the wonderful boy tenor, after a few days visit in Chicago, he will return to the lynching region. Johnnie's home is in Vicksburg, Miss. Ed. Green will slide on his trombone to Reece, Kan. Mr. B. E. Johnson will sing all the summer. He expects to go to Des Moines, Ia. The last but not the least, Arthur L. Prince will spend a few days in Chicago and from there to Brooklyn, N. Y., where he will visit his sister, Mrs. Lillie Sparling. Regards to Ralph Devine and Buelah Chambers. Long live The Freeman."

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Notes from Stowe's U. T. C. Company —In spite of the inclement weather during our initial week under tent, we have not missed a single night and in every instance turned them away. Much credit is due our hustling manager and proprietor Mr. Jno. F. Stowe how he piloted the company through between drops Everybody is well and as usual the "Man in white' made his debut under tent last Sunday and was gladly welcomed. Mr. Al and Mamie Holman "takes de cake" every night and their little skit and rendition of "get your money's worth" brings the house down nightly. The colored contingency with the show is as follows, Al Holman, Major B. F. Payne Dennis Watts, Jno. Bar, Jasper Reed, Joe H. Kelly, Walter Smith, W. H. Flanner, A. L. Mason, Mrs. Mamie Holman, Miss Jessie Proctor, Miss Laura Logan. The following are the names of the white people. Jno. F. Stowe, M'gr. and proprietor; Jos. H. Franck business m'gr.; Miss Emma Door, treas. Don Franck, stage m'gr. Will Young musical director; H. B. Marshall and wife, Mrs. Will Youngs, Miss Gypsy May Ward, S. E. Lester, Frank Cassidy M. F. Owens, Chas. Owens, Chas. Harrison, E. L. Wayne and little May Murray, (Eva.) Everything is spick and span from start to finish and the show is already in smooth working order and is giving entire satisfaction. We have five real Siberian blood hounds and every town we go to now they are closely watched this warm weather by the city marshall who accused them of indecency because they can not wear their own "pants." We are now heading Northwest and by the time the severe warm, warm weather begins we'll be enjoying the cool summer breezes of Wisconsin. Dennis (Dad) Watts is begining to feel lonesome now and apparently is despondent. He wants to go home to New York. The Freeman is always welcomed among us and is always eagerly sought for by members of our company. Major Ben F. Payne says he has something up his sleeve for next season, a real revelation, a new departure. Look out boys. Jasper Reed, with Stowe's U. T. C. company is now singing the latest song entitled "Hot Air." He has a furnace in every town we play. Rumor has it that we'll soon bivouac on our beautiful side wheel steamer, "Harriet Beecher Stowe" for the summer season playing all river towns on the Mississippi and Ohio rivers, east to Pittsburgh. Major Ben. F. Payne and Al. Holman sends regards to Al. and Mamie Anderson, the "Paynes," Pap Lewis, Lloyd Cooper, C. D. Brooks and friends.

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RACE GLEANINGS.

Col. J. R. Marshall, late of the Eighth Illinois Regiment, has been appointed a deputy sheriff of Chicago.

Mr. Walter E. Billows has been appointed clerk to the assistant District Attorney, of Pittsburg, Pa., at a salary of $1,200 per annum.

Miss May Harriet Black enjoys the distinction of being the first Afro-American to receive a diploma from the Duluth Minn., high school.

Major J. M. Thompson of the Twenty fourth Infantry has been placed in command of the New Station of Pyramid Harbor, Alaska, to which will be sent two companies of the Twenty-fourth Infantry.

Out in Pueblo, Col. a church has been started, where in order to become a member you must take an oath that you are a southern born colored man. It is called the "Colored Southern League Mission," and it proposes to look out for the religious, social, financial and political interests of its members.

Sophia Williams, colored died in New Orleans aged 106 years. she was born on the Joseph Blanchard plantation, in Iberville parish and was the mother of 14 children. Two of her sons, Thomas and Lamar, enlisted in the federal army and were killed in battle. A third son who survives her, Frank Williams served through the war as an attache of the Twenty-seventh Louisiana regiment in the Confederate service.

The Negro settlement at Lyles, five miles west of Princeton, Ind., may become quite a town, ruled by Negroes. The colored mechanics association of Louisville, Ky., claiming a membership of 500 is devising ways to colonize Lyles for Negroes who do not care to remain in cities. Joseph Carter of Louisville is president. Twenty-thousand dollars is now ready for the venture. All products are to be sold to colored people only.

At the recent session of the grand commandery, K. T., held at Philadelphia, the following officers were elected and installed for the ensuing year: Grand commander, Wm. H. Hadley, Philadelphia; deputy grand commander, Robert Brady, Pittsburg; grand generalissimo, Hiram Calleo, Philadelphia; grand captain general, John S. Williams, West Chester, grand treasurer, Alexander R. Lively, Philadelphia; grand recorder, Wm. H. Miller Philadelphia.

Work on the new trades' building at Tuskegee, Ala., is steadily progressing. It will be finished probably in October, when the dedication will take place. Through Mr. Wm. H. Baldwin, Jr. one of the trustees of Tuskegee, a gentleman in New York has recently given $5000 to be used in equipping this building. The work on Huntington Hall is going on nicely. This building was given by Mrs. C. P. Huntington, of New York and is to be used as a girls' dormitory.

As an evidence that the colored American is doing his share toward holding up the flag and defending the honor of the country it is stated by one of the gunners on the Raleigh that there were 40 colored men among the crew of that boat in the fight at Manila and that every other ship in Dewey's squadron had from 5 to 15 colored Americans in their crews, holding positions from cooks to gunner's mate. The new United States crusier New Orleans has 30 colored seamen in the crew.

The American Association of Education of Colored Youth will meet July 11th, 12th and 13th, 1899 at Detroit, Mich. The United Society of Christian Endeavorers will meet July, 5th to 10th. By this arrangement, reduced rates are secured from all points in the United States. The first day will be devoted to routine business, the reception, welcome addresses etc. The welcome addresses will be on Tuesday night. Wednesday and Thursday will include in their programs the Primary, Normal, Industrial and higher education for our youth. A part of Thursday will be devoted to organization of the Normal teachers, the presidents of colleges and universities, the special organization for the principals and special teachers for our primary and high schools.

A Memorial Window.

Petersburg, Va., Special.

Chas. Berry of New York is in the city visiting friends and relatives. Chas. looks as if the Metropolis agrees with him and treats him well. Jno. F. Haskins left on last Thursday for Washington, D. C. That "Jack" will meet with a hearty welcome from the typos of the capital city goes without saying. Jos. Smith an old Petersburger who has been in the navy for the last three years is in the city. He looks the picture of health. Geo. W. Russell and Mrs. Nancy Taylor were quietly married at the parsonage of the First Baptist church, Harrison street Wednesday evening May 17. A memorial window erected in St. Stephens P. E. church to the memory of Mrs. Caroline N. Bragg, who was regarded as the mother of colored Episcopalians in this section or the state, will be unveiled Sunday the 28th inst. Rev. Geo. F. Bragg of Baltimore a native of Petersburg, and grandson of Mrs. Bragg will preach the sermon on this interesting occasion. A delightful social was given at the residence of Miss Ruth Dickerson of Wilcox street in honor of Misses Paul Pollard and Payton of Richmond, Friday evening the 19th inst. The evening was pleasantly spent and all present voted it an enjoyable affair. The following were present:—Misses Alice Dabney, Easter Brown, Ethel Ramsey, Margarette Hawkins; Messrs Jacob Mason, Robt. Burton, Allen Marshall, Phil. Thweatt and Wm. H. Grammer.

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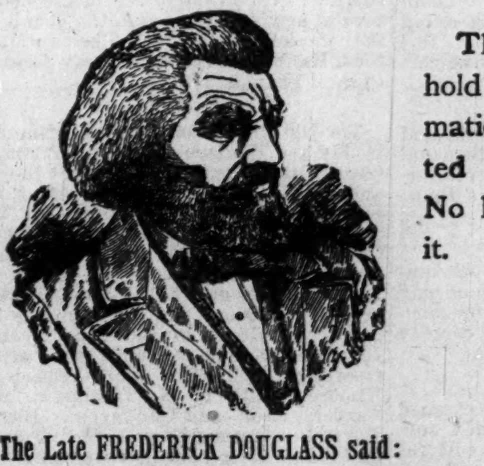

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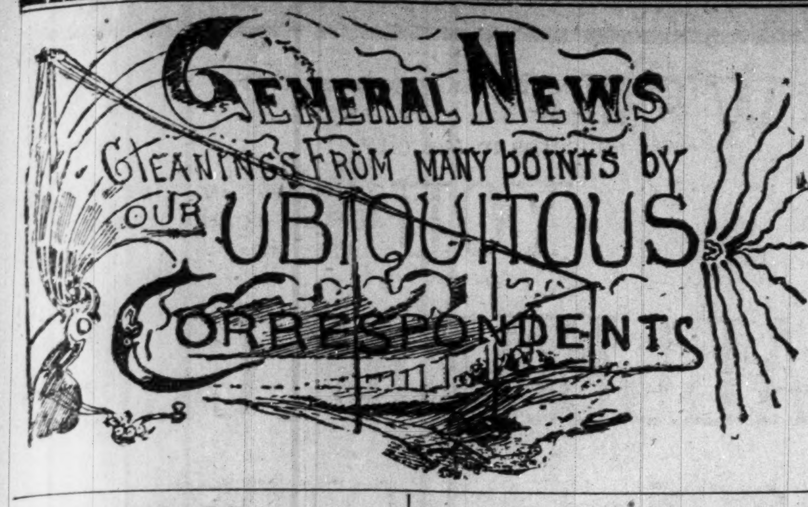

A big Rally.

Wheeling, Va., Special.

Howard Hill and Lawyer Holmes, of Pittsburg, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wright Sunday May 21. The Old Folks concert given by the Social Circle of Simpson M. E. church was a succes socially and financially. The Circle presented $60 to the rally Sunday. The Cake Walk given by one of the clubs of Wayman's A. M. E. church was well attended. The cake was won by Master William Turner and little Miss Blanche Wooden. The young ladies Bible class of Simpson M. E. church, composed of the following: Teacher Prof. T. B. Jones; Misses Mollie Jones, Anna Jennings, Mary McMechen, Mary Walker, Beatrice Cox, Fannie Lee and Ella Jones presented $50 to the rally. The rally at Simpson church was a grand success. Five hundred dollars and eighty five cents in cash and a subscription of sixteen hundred dollars was raised. The Kings Daughters gave fifty four dollars. The choir gave ten dollars. The young ladies of the Female Minstrel presented seventeen dollars to the rally.

News Items.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Special.

James Bell spent Sunday in Chicago. David Cylus of Allegan, was in the city Sunday to attend the funeral his neice, Mary Wildman. Miss Bessie Thompson leaves Tuesday for Indianapolis, Ind. Rev. Brown of Bangor is in the city. Mrs. Mary Wildman a beloved member and Sunday-School worker of the A. M. E. church died Thursday night May 18, 1899 at the age of fifty-one years. She leaves two brothers Henry and William White; an uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. D. Cyclus of Allegan, to mourn her loss. The funeral was at the A. M. E. church, Sunday at 2 p. m., Rev. B. Roberts officiated. Interment at Riverside. Mrs. S. S. Wheatley is very sick at her home on Kalamazoo avenue. Mrs. Hedgebeth is lying at the point of death. The Masonic musical entertainment given at the hall Monday evening May 15, was a grand success. J. Powell of Niles made a very nice address. Rev. Clarke preached a very able sermon at the A. M. E. church Wednesday evening after which the third quarterly conference was held.

Personal Mention.

Grand Rapid, Mich., Special,

Father Jacobs, who has been ill for some time is much better. After visiting her mother, Mrs. Corethers, two weeks, Mrs. Carol of Chicago left for her home Saturday. Mr. John Moore, Having been stricken by a paralytic stroke and picked up unconscious while at his place of employment, was brought to his mother's home on May, 16. Under the faithful attendance of Dr. Dickenson, our colored physician, he has now obtained the use of his tongue and parts of his body. The Commerce street A. M. E. church, which was moved on their new lot a few weeks ago, is being very nicely remodled. The corner stone was laid last Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock. Sunday their services were held in the Odd Fellows hall. Mrs. Theodore Prince, who had been ill for several weeks and who had an operation performed, May 9th, departed this life on May 16. She leaves a daughter, husband and several sisters to mourn her loss. Her remains were taken to Ypsilanti. Mrs. Beeler of Battle Creek who was in attendance of her sisters' funeral, left for her home Friday morning May 18th.

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After conversing with several leading men of our city and State upon the advisability of holding a conference of the progressive men of our State to discus the status of the Afro-American and to take such steps and devise such plans as in our judgement will prove conducive to his advancement, and finding many favoring such convention or conference, I have decided to send out letters to fifty representative men of our race asking for their opinion on the matter.

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Amonog the Churches,

Germantown, Tenn., Special.

Our Sunday School with Frank Allen as superintendent, and Miss Mary T. Roberts as secretary is doing excellent work. The singing choir under Profs. C. Cornelius and J. Clark is making rapid progress. The Rising Sun's Literary Society is in full bloom now, having discussed the subject "Resolved that Great Britain had no Right to tax the American Colonies" before a large audience Friday night. The affimative speakers were Fred and James Harrison of the New Sardis Debating Club, and the negative speakers were C. Cornelius and R. H. Neville, of the Rising Son's literary. The judges decided in favor of the negative. The oration of H. Harden and the address of P. Johnson were creditable to them. In view of the fact, Miss Birdie Hall one of our most zealous teachers died on the 15th inst. Supt. Allen appointed F. Hilton, N. Johnson, C. Cornelius, Miss Mary T. Roberts and R. H. Neville a committee on obituary. Committee reported:

Whereas in view of the loss we have sustained by the decease of our friend and associate Sunday School worker and christian, Miss Birdie Hall and of the still heavier loss sustained by those who were nearest and dearest to her, therefore be it,

Resolved, That it is but a just tribute to the memory of the departed to say that in regretting her removal from our midst we mourn for one who was in every respect a consistent christian worthy of our respect and regard, and be it,

Resolved that we sincerely condole with the family of the deceased on the dispensation with which it has pleased Divine Providence to afflict them and commend them for consolation to Him who orders all things for the best and and whose chastisements are meant in mercy, and further, be it,

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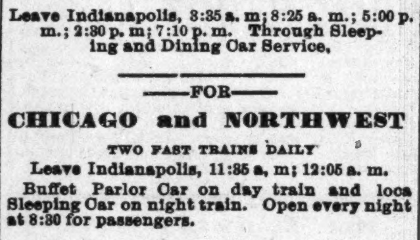

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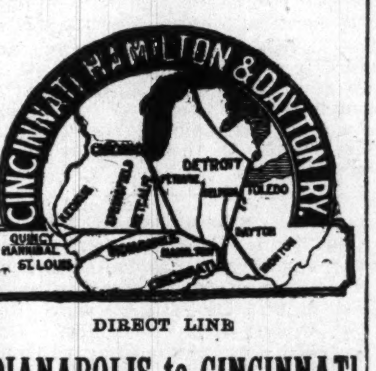

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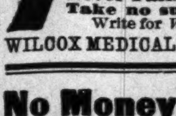

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Ice Cream and home made cake, only 10 cents at the Pythian Cafe 312 Indiana avenue.

If you wish to hear the latest "Coon" songs, don't fail to attend the monster "Buffalo" entertainments. Many will be sang for the first time in this city.

Simpson Chapel closed a successful May fair Friday night. Mrs. Trible and assistants deserve credit for their untiring efforts in making this a success.

You cannot afford to cook your Sunday dinner at home, see our Sunday bill of fare in this weeks issue of The Freeman. Dinner 25 cents.—Clark Burton.

Shiloh Baptist church began their May fair Tuesday night. Addresses were made by Rev. W. O. White and Mr. Geo. L Knox. Rev. Chas. Johnson is doing excellent work.

Mr. John Anderson and Miss Marcella Edwards were united in Holy Matrimony May, 22 at Cincinnati, O., by Rev. Dr. John Guinn. Will be home at 1428 Martindale Ave., this city.

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The "Big 4" churches, Bethel, Allen Chapel, Jones Tabernacle and Simpson Chapel have arranged another one of their delightful picnic excursions for Thursday, June, 29, at Bethany Park.

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The Misses Ethel Johnson, Pearl Patterson, Aletha Crossen, Lady Christy, Louise Wells and Stella Willis attended the graduating exercises of Miss Ora Nicholson, in Tipton, Ind., Thursday of last week.

Mr. W. H. Corbin proprietor of the Spencer house barber shop was in St. Louis, Mo., recently where he purchased a $2000 set of barber fixtures for his new shop which will be opened August 1st.

Mrs. Amanda Davis of 1626 Guffin st. has just completed a course of Massage treatments and salt baths from Miss Anna Bell of Dr. Eastman's Sanitorium, showing wonderful skill in the various manipulations of massage, also removing wrinkles. Face and bust developing a specialty.

A "loyalist meeting," under the auspices of the Anacostia club was held Wednesday night at Allen Chapel church for the purpose of endorsing President McKinley's administration and the policy of the United States government during the Spanish-American war. Judge Lott was the presiding officer and addresses were made by Mr. Gurley Brewer, Prof. Wm. Lewis and Mr. Geo. L. Knox.

Mrs. J. W. Young, of Leadville, Col. M. A. G. of Heroines of Jericho for Colorado and jurisdiction spent Sunday in our city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Knox. Mrs. Young is enroute from Hamilton county, Ind., to her home in Leadville, Col. She paid The Freeman office a pleasant visit Saturday in company with Mrs. Eli Roberts, of Arcadia Ind., and Mrs. Vina Rice of this city. Mrs. Young is hastening home to hold the annual convention of Queen Ester Court of H. J. which convenes in Denver the first Tuesday in June.

Special Services.

At Bethel A. M. E. church, tomorrow morning, the pastor Rev. D. A. Graham in compliance with the request of the National Afro-American Council will preach a sermon on the race problem from a religious standpoint of view. The choir will render special music. Every lover of the race is cordially invited to be present.

Orbituary.

The funeral of Cornelius Ayers occurred from the residence of Mrs. Daniel Stewart in N. Deleware street last Sunday where he had been employed for 19 years. His body lay in state in the parlors of this magnificent mansion. All of the pall-bearers were prominent white business men who were intimately acquanted with the family. The floral designs were many and elaborate. It was an ovation on funeral obsequies from the fact that nearly all the mourners were white. Mrs. Daniel Stewart his employer who is sojourning in Europe sent a telegram expressing her sympathy and ordered the expenses of the occasion charged to her. Revs. Morton and Seymour delivered the sermon. C. M. C. Willis had charge of the remains.

News Items.

Henderson, Ky., Special.

Rev. John Polk of Cairo, Ill., is in the city. He is trying to establish a Presbyterian church here. Miss Hallie Watkins delightfully entertained some ten or more of her young friends May 27th. The occasion being her tenth birthday. Miss Alice Cabell has returned from Madisonville. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd McClure of Corydon were in the city Sunday. Rev. R. H. C. Mitchell was in Hopkinsville last Saturday. Mr. Dixon of Corydon was in the city May 21, visiting his daughter, Mrs. James Bell. Miss Mary Ellen Early and Mr. William Nelson were united in marriage May 24, at the residence of the bride on Elm street. Messrs. Peter Dixon and Trip Green are home on a furlough from the Soldiers' Home. Miss Sadie Gaines has returned from Raleigh, N. C., where she attended school. The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Early, died May 27th with whooping cough. Editor Johnson of the Kentucky Standard was in the city Sunday. Little Nelcie Bell is visiting her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dixon in Corydon. An entertainment was given by the Knights of Tabor Lodge at Held's Park on last Saturday. The annual fair given by the A. M. E. church May 15th to 22nd, was quite a success financially. Excellent programs were rendered on the 15th, 17th and 18th. Miss Maymie Morton won the ladies' prize; Messrs. F. B. Doxey and Charles Plackman won prizes also. Algernon J. Harvey was awarded the prize for being the finest baby, which was a handsome buggy; Miss Maymie Jackson was awarded a prize for being the successful contestant at the spelling bee. Lawrence Taylor shot and dangerously wounded Robert Hatchett last Saturday night. Rev. Mitchell baptized a number of converts on last Sunday. A concert was given by the Queen Esther Temple at their hall on Second street May 27.

News of Interest.

Shelbyville, Ind., Special. — There was a party given at the residence of Mrs. Ramsey on Washington avenue last night. Invitations were issued for twenty-five. * * Rev. Clark preached at the Second Baptist Church last Sunday. * * School was out Thursday, and many pupils are rejoicing over their promotion cards. * * A marriage is expected here soon. Although William has said nothing about it, the information was given to The Freeman scribe by a real estate agent. Alex Pearson denies this statement and says that he is not going to be left single handed.

Personal Mention.

Piqua, O., Special.—Rev. L. A. Lamb, the blind evangelist, left the city Monday. Rev. Lamb's sermons have created a good impression on more than one Piqua heart. * * Mr. Warren Hill died on the morning of the 17th. Funeral services held at the house. Interred at Jackson cemetery. * * Mrs. Frank Taylor, after a visit with friends here, returned to her home in Dark county. * * Quite a number of Piquads assembled at street car office last Thursday prepared for a good time. They went aboard the 8:15 car and were soon speeding on their way to Troy, where they attended the May festival, returning at 10:30 with the exception of a few. * * Mr. G. Giles went to Dayton Friday, 18th inst., on business. * * See next week's paper for some news of great interest. Don't fail. * * Small crowd of young men went to Dayton Sunday. * * Mr. Warren Hogen was the guest of Miss Mollie A. Gross, Sunday. * * The Border City Lodge initiated a new member Tuesday evening. How is this for progress? * * Mr. C. W. Scott, of Fremont, O., is visiting his sister, Mrs. Alice Williams, of this city. * * A number of Troy ladies were in the city Saturday. * * Mr. Wilbur Johnston is coming to Piqua in the near future to run a barber shop. Mr. Johnson has been in business here before, and everybody knows him to be a first class barber. So, friends, show him Piqua patronage his grown since his last stay. * * The matrimonial fever is an epidemic in our city at present as several of our young ladies are or are going to be married.

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Notes.

Navasota, Tex., special.—The annual thanksgiving services of the U. B. F., S. M. T., and the Juveniles were held on May 21. An able sermon was delivered by Rev. W. H. Jackson. Addresses were made by Prof. J. M. Caldwell, P. H. Dean and Worthy Master H. L. Smith. Collection $17.60.

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